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**REQUEST  
FOR  
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Application Number	09/533,203
Filing Date	MARCH 23, 2003
First Named Inventor	FAIRLEY
Art Unit	2878
Examiner Name	ERIC J. SPEARS
Attorney Docket Number	KLAC0012

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

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(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
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- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
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- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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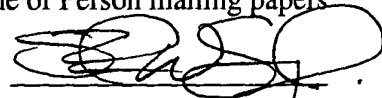
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